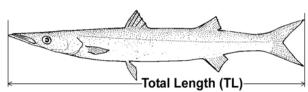
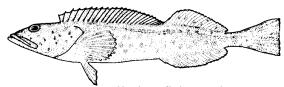
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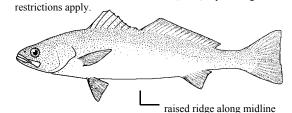
**CALIFORNIA BARRACUDA** Bag limit **10** fish per day, size limit: **28"** TL.



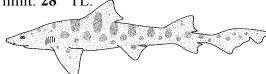
CALIFORNIA HALIBUT Bag limit 5 fish south of Pt. Sur, 3 to the north, size limit: 22" TL.



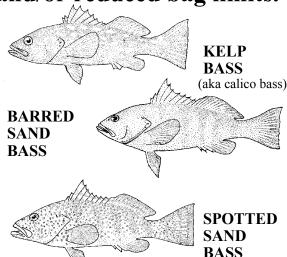
**LINGCOD** Bag limit **2** fish per day, size limit: **24"** TL. Seasonal, area, depth and gear



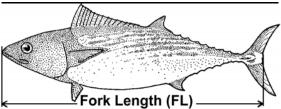
WHITE SEABASS Bag limit 3 fish, except limit 1 fish south of Pt. Conception between March 15th and June 15th. Size limit: 28" TL.



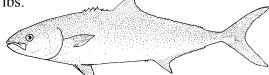
**LEOPARD SHARK** Bag limit **3** fish per day, size limit: **36"** TL.



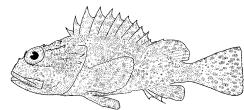
Total bag limit for these basses is 10 in combination per day. Size limit: 12" TL.



PACIFIC BONITO Bag limit 10 fish, only 5 of which can be under 24" FL or 5 lbs.



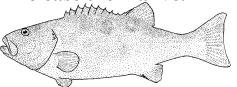
YELLOWTAIL Bag limit 10 fish, only 5 of which can be under 24" FL.



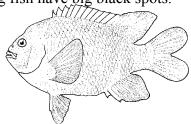
CA. SCORPIONFISH (aka sculpin)
Bag limit 5 fish. Size limit: 10"TL. Seasonal, area and depth restrictions apply.

These fish are protected in ocean waters off California.

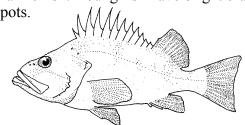
Do not target them, but if you do happen to catch them, release them alive.



**GIANT SEA BASS** (aka black sea bass) Young fish have big black spots.



GARIBALDI Bright orange, the state marine fish. Young fish have bright blue spots.



**COWCOD** Usually found in the deeper waters of the continental shelf.

Also: white shark, broomtail grouper, gulf grouper, canary and yelloweye rockfishes, silver salmon and steelhead trout.

## Year 2004 Regulation Changes

There have been many changes to the regulations. Consult the ocean sport fishing regulation booklet for complete information, or visit the Marine Region's website at: www.dfg.ca.gov/mrd





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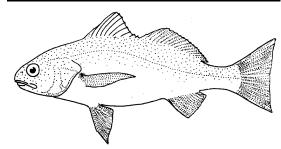
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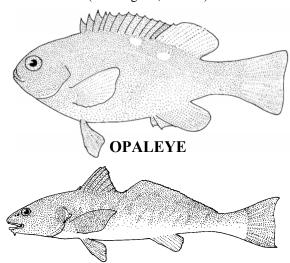
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The general bag and possession limit is 20 fish in combination of all species with not more than 10 of any one species except as otherwise stated. These are examples of fish with a bag limit of 10.

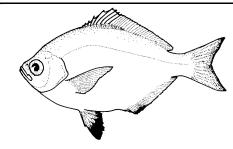


WHITE CROAKER (aka kingfish, tomcod)

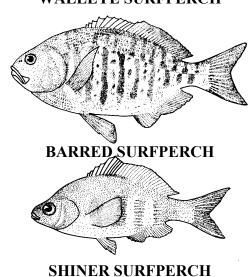


**CALIFORNIA CORBINA** 

The term "bag limit" in this pamphlet refers to the bag and possession limit as defined in Section 1.17 of the sport fishing regulations. No more than one daily bag limit may be taken OR possessed by any one person. There are 19 species of surfperch found off California. The bag and possession limit for surfperch is 5 fish in combination of all species, except shiner surfperch, which have an additional bag limit of 20 fish.



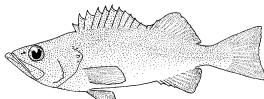
WALLEYE SURFPERCH





Seasonal, area and depth restrictions apply

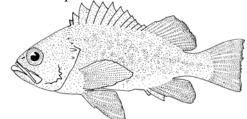
The RCG (Rockfish, Cabezon, Greenling) Complex bag limit is 10 fish in combination of species, with sublimits on some. Seasonal and area closures, and gear and depth restrictions apply.



**BOCACCIO** (aka salmon grouper) Bag limit 1 fish in RCG Complex. Size limit 10" TL



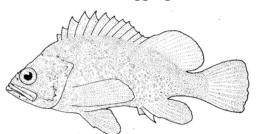
CABEZON Bag limit 3 fish in RCG Complex. Size limit: 15" TL.



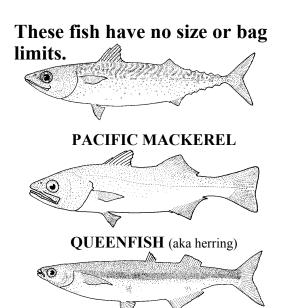
### **VERMILION ROCKFISH**

(aka red snapper)

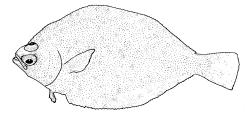
Shallow Nearshore Rockfish include black-and-yellow, China, gopher, grass and kelp rockfishes. The bag limit for this group is two fish in combination of the five species, and is also included in the 10 fish RCG aggregate limit.



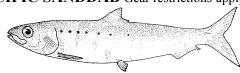
KELP ROCKFISH







PACIFIC SANDDAB Gear restrictions apply



#### **PACIFIC SARDINE**

Also: albacore, anchovy, bluefin tuna, skipjack, grunion, jack mackerel, starry flounder, petrale sole, round herring, Pacific butterfish (pompano), Pacific herring, Pacific staghorn sculpin, and topsmelt.



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